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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT : Censoring Skylab Photography

1. I think we should not be censoring the Skylab photography. I request your permission to withdraw NPIC's participation.

2. Skylab is an open and public project. Information gained by it should be available to all U.S. citizens. Even if I were persuaded that censoring was justified, I should recommend that officers of intelligence agencies not participate in the censoring.

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